

**Indiana Arts Commission  
Executive Committee  
June 4, 2008, 9:00 a.m.  
IAC Conference Room  
Indianapolis, IN 46204**

**Richard Stifel, Chair**

**Minutes**

Members present: none

Members via teleconference: Richard Stifel, Jeanne Mirro, Sandra Clark, Ronald Stratten

Members not present: William Hopper

IAC Staff present: Lewis Ricci, Michelle Anderson, Dennis Hardin

**1. Consent Agenda and Approval of May 7, 2008 Minutes.** Ms. Mirro moved to accept the consent agenda. Ms. Clark seconded. Motion passed.

**2. Update on the Governor's Office.** Mr. Ricci met with Anne Valentine of the Governor's Office. She will try to schedule a summertime meeting for IAC officers with the Governor. She also suggested scheduling a meeting for IAC officers with Chris Ruhl of the State Board of Accounts, regarding the next budgeting cycle. Mr. Ricci recommends that the meeting with the Governor precede the budget meeting. Mr. Stifel wants to attend these two meetings. Mr. Ricci would also like Ms. Mirro to attend. Other attendees to be determined.

**3. Projected Year-end Budget for FY2007-2008.** Mr. Ricci referred to a handout (attached) prepared by IAC Deputy Director Michelle Anderson, showing the projected year-end budget figures for FY2008. The IAC will be under budget for the current fiscal year. Mr. Stratten asked about the ramifications of being under budget *vis a vis* allocations for the next fiscal year. Ms. Anderson confirmed that the underage occurs in federal grant monies, not in state allocations, so there should be no effect on the next state budget.

**4. Proposed Budget for FY2008-2009.** Mr. Ricci presented a handout (attached) prepared by Deputy Director Michelle Anderson showing the projected budget for FY2009. Ms. Anderson explained that it is essentially the same budget as the FY2008 budget, with a 5% holdback mandated by the state. Grant monies awarded by IAC through state funds are exempt from the 5% holdback. Ms. Clark asked about future holdback percentages. Mr. Ricci replied that they are unknown at this time, but that 5% was what was asked for, and that is the percentage used in the FY2009 budget. Ms. Anderson made a correction to the entry under FY08 totals for Salaries and fringe benefits, which will be shown in corrected form to the full commission. Mr. Stifel asked for a motion to accept the FY2009 budget, as corrected. Ms. Clark so moved. Ms. Mirro seconded. Motion passed.

5. **Committee Chairs for FY2008-2009.** There was general discussion among the committee members regarding possible choices for new chairs of the Advocacy & Awareness Committee and the Committee on the Future. Mr. Stifel took recommendations under advisement and will contact the particular commissioners and then will announce his decisions.

6. **Commission Dates and Locales for FY 2008-2009.** Dates have been determined for the last two business meetings of FY09. The spring 2009 meeting will be on March 13 in Evansville; the summer 2009 meeting will be on June 12, at a location to be determined. Committee meetings will be scheduled at the usual intervals preceding the business meeting.

7. **Other.** Mr. Stifel thanked Commissioner Jeanne Mirro for her work in organizing the June 13 business meeting to be held in Fort Wayne. Mr. Stifel asked for a brief executive committee meeting at 8:30 a.m. on June 13, immediately preceding the business meeting. Mr. Ricci has sent out the tentative agenda for the June 13 meeting. Ms. Clark expressed her feeling that the business meetings should devote more time to discussion items, perhaps by decreasing the time devoted to reports, for which printed materials have been provided. There was general agreement with her sentiment, although Mr. Ricci pointed out that the upcoming June 13 meeting will have a full agenda of action items which will take up most of the allotted time.

8. **Adjourn.** Mr. Stifel declared the meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.